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Dear Ms. Hesse,

As a political activist in Kansas, I do my best to follow current events and to take seriously my responsibilities as a citizen by exercising my rights and fighting to uphold the liberties I maintain as a citizen of this great nation. This letter is a small way for me to use these values to state the reasons I believe settlement of the Microsoft anti-trust case is overdue and serves the interests of Microsoft, their competitors and the consumers of these products.

Though many are wary of government interference in business, the damage this lawsuit has caused from an economic and developmental standpoint justifies settling under the terms of the current proposal. In an attempt to move on with business, however restricted, Microsoft has offered to be subject to review by an onsite technical committee, having access to all areas at all times—at Microsoft's expense. This provision leaves Microsoft with time and loyalty as the only advantage over their competition.

Now, more than ever, it is imperative that we preserve the freedom to innovate and promote free commerce. Approval of the settlement will allow our industry to move forward, freeing the courts and our nation to focus on some of the more demanding issues of today.

Thank you,

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